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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
GROUP ART UNIT 1615
PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 08/774,188
Applicant : Sawatzki
Filed : 3/20/01
TC/A.U. : 1615
Examiner : C. L. Evans

Confirmation No.: 3636

Docket No. : SAWA3004
Customer No. : 23364

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is further to the notice of appeal filed on June 3, 2003, which served as a response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002. The notice of appeal was filed with a petition for a three month extension of time along with payment of the required fee. The present amendment is accompanied by a petition for a one month extension of time along with payment of the required fee to thereby extend the due date for filing an appeal brief or for taking other appropriate action to September 3, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page with the heading "Amendments to the Claims".

Remarks/Arguments begin on the page having the heading "Remarks/Arguments".